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1. WE HAVE TAKEN NOTE OF PRELIMINARY ALLIED REACTION TO THE SIGNING OF US-UK MOU REGARDING RECIPROCAL PROCUREMENT. WE UNDERSTAND UK WILL DISCUSS SUBJECT FURTHER WITH EUROGROUP MEMBERS ON SEP 26. WE WILL WISH TO FOLLOW UP WITH ALLIES IN A MANNER THAT WILL INSURE A POSITIVE RESULT, AND EMPHASIZE THE IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO NATO'S STANDARDIZATION EFFORTS. FIRST, HOWEVER, WE WOULD PREFER TO AWAIT
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FURTHER REACTION FROM THE ALLIES FOLLOWING THE SEP 26 UK-

EUROGROUP MEETING AND POSSIBLE FRENCH REACTION DURING
SECDEF VISIT NEXT WEEK.

2. IN THE MEANWHILE, MISSION SHOULD, IF OTHER DELEGATIONS
RAISE QUESTION OF MOU ASSURE THEM OF OUR DESIRE TO GIVE
FULL CONSIDERATION TO ANY AND ALL ALLIED COMMENTS AND CON-
CERNS. MISSION IS ALSO REQUESTED TO INFORM KIT DODD, UK
MOD, WHO WE UNDERSTAND WILL EXPLAIN MOU TO EUROGROUP REPS
ON SEPTEMBER 26, THAT US AGREES WITH UK THAT TEXT OF MOU
SHOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO OTHER ALLIES.
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